

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace paragraph 0001, page 1, with the following amended paragraph:

[0001] The present application is related to U.S. Pat. App. No. [I \_\_\_\_\_ J] 10/632,602  
~~(Attorney Docket No. 020366-091200US)~~ entitled "Systems And Methods For Controlled  
Transmittance in a Telecommunication System", and filed by the inventors common hereto and  
on a date common herewith. The entirety of the aforementioned application is incorporated  
herein by reference for all purposes.

Please replace paragraph 0023, pages 6 and 7, with the following amended paragraph:

[0023] Some embodiments of the access point, abstraction engine, and/or distinction engine are implemented as an appliance that can be attached to a network interface device (NID) to provide a convenient content object access point for a customer premises. Alternatively, the abstraction and/or distinction engine can be implemented as a microserver associated with the NID. Information about such NIDs and microservers can be obtained from U.S. Application Ser. No. 10/377,282, filed February 27, 2003 by Casey *et al.* and entitled "Systems And Methods For Displaying Data Over Video"; U.S. Application Ser. No. 10/356,364, filed January 31, 2003 by Phillips *et al.* and entitled "Packet Network Interface Device And Systems And Methods For Its Use"; U.S. Application Ser. No. 10/356,688, filed January 31, 2003 by Phillips *et al.* and entitled "Systems, Methods And Apparatus For Providing A Plurality Of Telecommunications Services"; U.S. Application Serial No. 10/356,338, filed January 31, 2003 by Phillips *et al.* and entitled "Configurable Network Interface Device And Systems And Methods For Its Use"; U.S. Application Ser. No. 10/367,596, filed February 14, 2003 by Casey *et al.* and entitled "Systems And Methods For Delivering A Data Stream To A Video Appliance"; U.S. Application Ser. No. 10/367,597, filed February 14, 2003 by Casey *et al.* and entitled "Systems And Methods For Providing Application Services"; U.S. Application Ser. No. 10/377,290, filed February 27, 2003 by Phillips *et al.* and entitled "Systems And Methods For Forming Picture-In-Picture Signals"; U.S. Application Ser. No. 10/377,283 filed February 27, 2003 by Phillips *et al.* and entitled

“Systems And Methods For Monitoring Visual Information”; U.S. Application Ser. No. 10/377,584 filed February 27, 2003 by Phillips *et al.* and entitled “Systems And Methods For Delivering Picture-In-Picture Signals At Diverse Compressions And Bandwidths”; U.S. Application Ser. No. 10/377,281 filed February 27, 2003 by Phillips *et al.* and entitled “Systems And Methods For Providing And Displaying Picture-In-Picture Signals”; U.S. Application Ser. No. 10/444,941, filed May 22, 2003 by Phillips *et al.* and entitled “Systems And Methods For Providing Television Signals Using A Network Interface Device”; U.S. Application Ser. No. 10/448,249, filed May 22, 2003 by Phillips *et al.* and entitled “Methods And Apparatus For Delivering A Computer Data Stream To A Video Appliance With A Network Interface Device”; and U.S. Application Ser. No. [[—/—]] 10/624,454, filed July 21, 2003 by Casey *et al.* and entitled “Systems And Methods For Integrating Microservers With A Network Interface Device” (~~attorney docket no. 020366-089500US~~). Each of the aforementioned patent applications share one or more inventors, and are assigned to an entity common hereto. Further, the entirety of each of the aforementioned patent applications is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.

Please replace paragraph 0049, page 16, with the following amended paragraph:

**[0049]** Turning to Fig. 3b, a graphical representation 302 illustrates another exemplary use of system 100 in accordance with other embodiments of the present invention. In this example, only the audio portion of a television program is recorded. In operation, the content object entity supplying the television program is selected, and an audio only content object entity is selected to receive the program. Abstraction/distinction engine 130 separates the audio and video portions of the selected television program, and provides the audio portion to the selected content object entity 341. The selected content object entity 341 can be, for example, a CD recorder, an MP3 player, a radio, and/or the like.

Please insert the following after paragraph 0004, page 1:

Field of the Invention